



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Mississippi Trauma Advisory Committee Minutes

December 1, 2011

10:00 a.m.

570 East Woodrow Wilson Blvd, Jackson, MS

Members Present

- **William "Pete" Avara, MD, Chairman**
- **Rick Carlton, MD**
- **Brett Cone (for H.S. McMillan)**
- **Clyde Deschamp, PhD**
- **Rodney Frothingham, MD**
- **Amber Kyle, RN**
- **John Nelson, MD**
- **Heather Shields (for R. Pinon)**
- **Wade Spruill**
- **Josh Wenzel**

Agenda

- **Call to Order/Acceptance of Minutes**
 - Meeting called to order by Dr. Avara at 10:32 a.m.
 - Motion to approve Minutes of September 1, 2011 meeting made by Mr. Spruill, seconded by Dr. Carlton. Motion passed.
 - **Region reports**
 - Reports from the seven region administrators were included in the information package distributed to each member. No questions were raised.
 - **Rules and Regulations Sub-committee Update**
 - Ms. Kyle reported that the sub-committee has reviewed the four rules for changes:
 - Rule 1.2.3 Trauma Center Inspections – authorizing the State Health Officer to extend Trauma Center designations for up to one (1) year.
 - Rule 5.3.1 Level IV Emergency Departments – allowing the Rural Trauma Course (RTC) in lieu of ATLS for Level IV ED physicians
 - Rule 6.1.9 Tertiary Pediatric Trauma Centers – requiring physician response to match Level I adult Trauma Center standards
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- Rule 6.2.9 Secondary Pediatric Trauma Centers – requiring physician response to match Level III adult Trauma Center standards
 - Motion by Dr. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Wenzel to accept R&R recommendations. Motion carried.
 - Ms. Kyle addressed allowing Advanced Trauma Care for Nurses (ATCN) to be recognized as an approved Trauma Nurse course in addition to TNCC. Motion made by Mr. Spruill, seconded by Dr. Carlton. Motion carried.
 - Ms. Kyle discussed the formation of a task force to re-write the Essentials & Desirables (E&D) charts for the different levels of Trauma Centers, Pediatric Trauma Centers, and the Burn Center. Ms. Kyle recommended the region directors as the core group to make up the task force, with subject matter experts as required. No date is set for the first meeting.
 - **Functionality Sub-Committee Report**
 - Dr. Carlton reported that the sub-committee is recommending a task force to research the process of implementing a state-wide medical communications system.
 - Dr. Robert Galli, State EMS Director, stated that the task to develop a medical communications plan has been a function of the Medical Direction, Training, and Quality Assurance (MDTQA) committee.
 - **Trauma Care Trust Fund Fall 2011 distribution**
 - Dr. Miller reported that the Fall distribution will be \$11.2 Million. \$10.6 will be according to the formula in the regulations, with \$600K for the annual Level IV stipends.
 - Dr. Miller also reported that there are five (5) hospitals that are potentially eligible for Pay or Play; St. Dominic, Mississippi Baptist, Wesley, Madison River Oaks, and CMMC. Applications are due by December 16, and invoices are due by January 3, 2012.
 - **MTAC/EMSAC schedule for CY2012**
 - The proposed meeting schedule for 2012 for both MTAC and EMSAC is:
 - January 25
 - May 16
 - August 15
 - November 7
 - MTAC will meet from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm; EMSAC will meet from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.
 - **Level IV Trauma Center designations**
 - Calhoun Health Services, Calhoun City, and Grenada Lake Medical Center, Grenada were designated as Level IV Trauma Centers.
 - Two other hospitals, Marion General in Columbia and Pioneer Health Services in Aberdeen have been reviewed and are awaiting designation by Dr. Currier.
 - **New Trauma Center Designations**
 - Open session adjourned at 11:44 am to move to Executive Session to discuss Burn
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Center inspection results.

- **Adjourned from Executive Session-Next meeting scheduled for January 25, 2012**
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